Seattle Business Assistance Center

Seattle, Washington

Project Title IDA Account Initiative of Community Capital Development

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AFI Grant Amount \$240,000

Nonfederal Support \$413,353

Project Period February 1, 2006 - January 31, 2011

Highlights Community Capital Development will provide 136 low-

income families with access to IDAs for business start-up. The program will match participant savings at a rate of \$2 to \$1, up to a maximum match of \$3,000. Participant entrepreneurs will then have \$4,500 available capital for their business. The project features extensive small business

tools, resources, and experienced staff for assisting low-

income entrepreneurs.

Target Population Low-income residents of King County, Washington,

primarily families with children; a particular emphasis in five distressed communities in the Enterprise Communities: Pioneer Square, Duwamish Industrial Corridor, Southeast Seattle/Rainier Valley, International District, the Central

District, and Delridge.

Grantee/Collaborative Description The Seattle Business Assistance Center (SBAC) provides

small business consulting services primarily to businesses in

distressed communities and women, minority, and underserved entrepreneurs. Community Capital

Development, founded in 1997 to address the business capitalization needs of Seattle's Enterprise communities, is a collaboration of SBAC, Seattle Economic Development Association, and Seattle Economic Development Fund.

US Bank is the financial partner.